

## House Resolution No. 736

**Whereas**, it is with great pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the meritorious achievements of an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself through excellence in amateur sports; and

**Whereas**, Warren Turner was inducted into the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Hall of Fame during the American Baseball Coaches Association National Convention held on January 7, 2005, in Nashville, Tennessee; and

**Whereas**, Warren Turner served twenty-nine seasons as a baseball coach at Missouri Southern State University; and

**Whereas**, it didn't take long for Warren Turner's Lions to make their name in the NAIA when Missouri Southern State University joined the association in 1977 and played in the NAIA World Series a year later; and

**Whereas**, after a few years, Warren Turner was in charge of the rankings, served as chair of four big states, and worked his way up the ladder every year until Missouri Southern State University went to the NCAA in 1990; and

**Whereas**, Warren Turner's rapid climb to success was in part due to the guidance of various mentors, including Missouri Western State College Coach Doug Minnis; and

**Whereas**, along with Warren Turner, eleven people were named to the latest Class of NAIA Hall of Fame, a few of which include Jerry Abraham of Madonna University in Michigan, Dave Darnell of Eureka College in Illinois, Jeff Frye of Southeastern Oklahoma State University, and John Kresse of the College of Charleston in South Carolina:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty and robust congratulations to Warren Turner upon his well-deserved induction into the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Hall of Fame and in wishing him only the best in all future endeavors; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Warren Turner.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Ronald F. Richard  
District No. 129

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 736, adopted February 22, 2005.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker